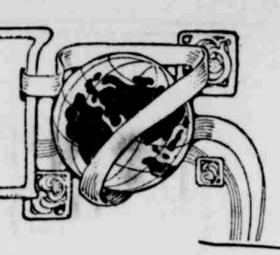




Briefly Told



The nickel cigar has made its reappearance in the loop district of Chicago.

The rainiest spot on earth is the Waipo Valley in Hawaii. The precipitation averages one inch a day.

The University of Maine faculty recently suspended fifty-six sophomores for hazing which consisted of a paddle gauntlet for freshmen.

Senators will use the famous "marble room" adjoining the Senate chamber as a lounging place. The chamber is to be barred to visitors.

The accident rates in coal mines of England, France, Belgium, Germany, Austria and Japan are much lower than in America because all the miners in one mine speak the same language.

So the public will knew them and as an additional punishment, the Chief of Police of Juarez ordered the heads of all pickpockets shaved when culprits are released from prison.

Every Saturday afternoon at the American post in Samoa, the civil prisoners are granted parole until six a. m. Monday. Many of the prisoners spend their week-end visiting relatives.

The money that American women spend on jewelry, feminine foibles and beautifiers in general during one year would pay either half the interest on the national debt or the entire appropriation for the Navy, including new ship construction.

All needy residents of Muskegon, Michigan, who are out of work are being given aid by the city. The city loans the funds, taking a note payable on demand without interest.

At a recent meeting of the Entomological Society of America a scientist stated he found a small tribe of Mono Lake Indians which caught and dried a ton and a half of caterpillars in a season for food.

A girl fourteen years of age was brought before a New York court as a truant from school. The girl proved that she was married and the court ruled that a housewife is not required to attend school regardless of her age.

Fifty thousand dollars in notes, bank stock and currency were uncovered by a farmer in Illinois who was harrowing corn stalks in a field. Safeblowers had buried the loot there the previous week.

Thieves stole the lightning conductors from the twin towers of Notre Dame Cathedral in Paris. The conductors were topped with platinum worth nearly fourteen thousand francs. The thieves worked seven hundred feet from the ground and are supposed to have been steeplejacks.

Fig Tree John, an aged Indian hunter who guided Fremont through the West on his expedition to the Pacific Coast, receives from the government every five years a new blue suit with brass buttons similar to those worn by the Americans in Fremont's time. In 1845 he expressed a wish that he be paid for his services in that manner as long as he lived.

Opium disguised as sausages was recently seized on a steamship at Brooklyn during a narcotic raid by internal revenue agents and police. The searchers were unrewarded until one of them cut open a frankfurter and discovered opium instead of ground meat.

Gates to the White House grounds were opened under the first order issued by Warren G. Harding as President of the United States. They have been closed to the public since early in 1917 when the United States severed relations with Germany.

A different odor for every frock is the latest fashionable idea of Parisian dressmakers. A pink creation should give out the delicate scent of roses, while lily of the valley is considered more appropriate for white gowns. The scent is sewed into the seams of the frock.

The mystery of the missing balloon of the United States Navy that landed near Moose Factory was cleared up when it became known that Ojibway Indians had divided the huge bag into ten sections from which they made several canoes and papoose carriers. The ropes are being used for dog harness.

Claiming that she and her five children have been placed in a position of want because three Cleveland men gambled with her husband, a woman is suing the three men for the amount they won from the head of the family.

The President of the United States has a special flag used on occasions when the President appears in his ex-officion function as commander-in-chief of the Army and Navy. The flag consists of the coat-of-arms as they appear on the President's seal, against a blue background and flanked by four stars.

The Carnegie Corporation has entered into an agreement with the Leland Stanford University of California to establish a food research institute at that university to study problems of food production, distribution and consumption.

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